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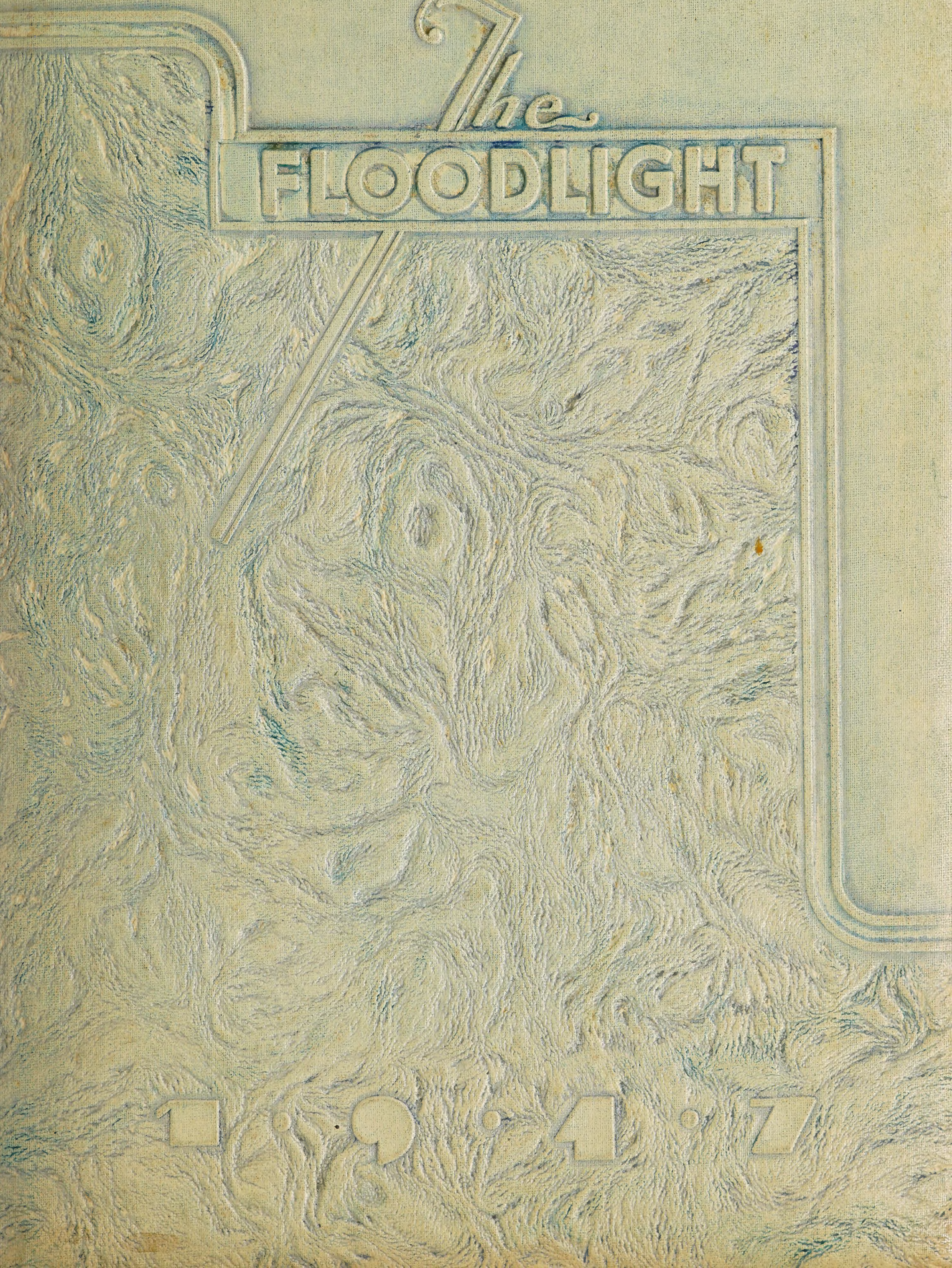

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CLASS OF 1947

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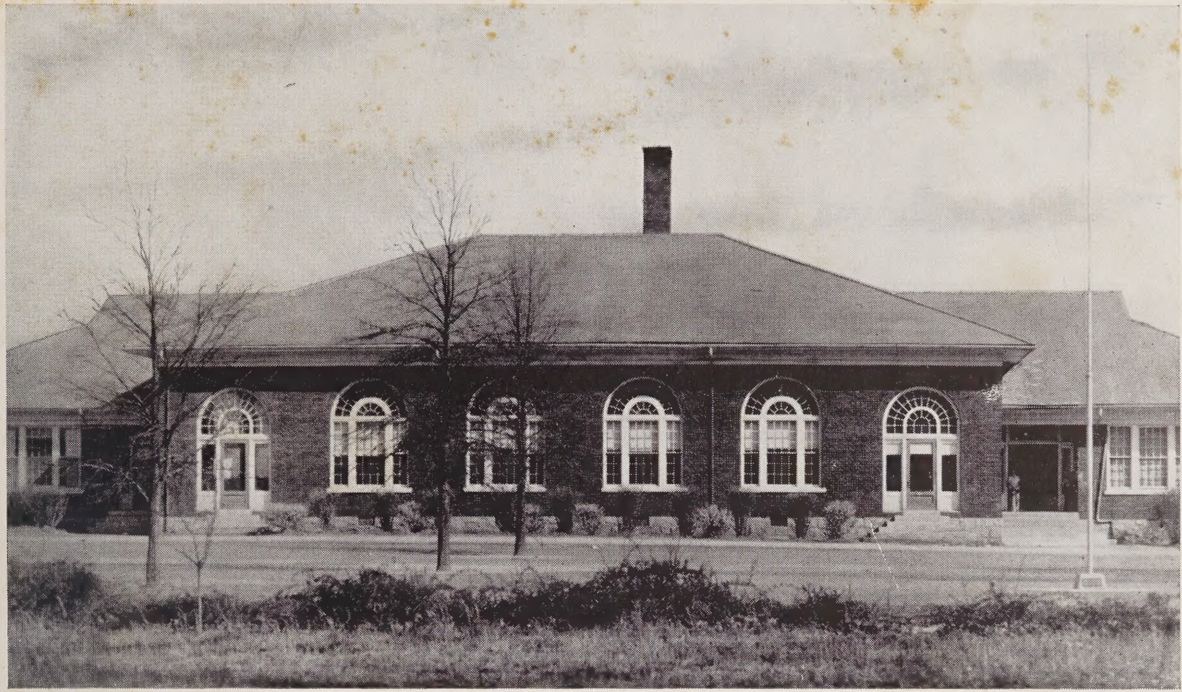
foreword

★ We, the Staff of 1947, are proud to present this book as a symbol of the life at Sharon School. We hope everyone who sees this will see Sharon on its pages, and will learn to love and respect it as we do.



SCHOOL SONG

When Sharon High comes marching down the line,
We're gonna' fight, fight, fight and that's a sign,

We're gonna' win, win, win, the victory,
And make our names go down in school history,

We're gonna' fight, fight, fight, for Sharon High,
And show them that we're just the kind of crowd,

That will make our school be very proud,
Very proud, of Sharon High.

ALMA MATER

Out along a country highway,
Far from bustling town,
Stands our noble Alma Mater
Proudly looks she down.
Sing her praises, lift her chorus,
Over hill and dale.
Hail to thee, our Alma Mater,
Sharon High School, Hail!

FACULTY

"Not only is there an art in knowing a thing, but also a certain art in teaching it".

B. H. HORTON, JR., *Principal*

STUDENTS, TEACHERS, AND PATRONS:

The facts to be used in this discourse are mainly old familiar—now, however, in the respect that some things never die.

I begin by referring to "The American Crisis," written by the temperamental Thomas Paine. It was when England wished to harness the American Colonies that he said (among other things), "These are the times that try men's souls: Tyranny, like hell, is not easily conquered; Yet ye have this consolation with us, that the harder the Conflict, the more glorious the triumph. What we obtain too cheaply, we esteem too lightly: — 'Tis dearness only that gives everything its value."

And then purging more deeply into this violent attack he says, "I call not upon a few, but upon all—lay your shoulders to the wheel and let it be told to the future world that you showed your faith by your works. It matters not where you live or what rank of life you hold—rich or poor, you will suffer or rejoice alike. I love the men that can smile in trouble, that can gather strength from distress, and grow brave by reflection."

Let these words be directed to the citizenry of this great united States of which we are a very definite part — to those who steer the course of state, to those who till the soil and grow the crops, to those who nurture and rear us to manhood and womanhood, to those who cultivate the young citizenship of our land, to those who support and maintain our homes, to those who administer aid to the sick, and to those who endeavor to evangelize the world.

It isn't English tyranny which we wish to conquer or attack but an application of this literary strategy is very timely. Has anyone been so bold and so careless as to think that it's an easy road to higher achievement? Has anyone chided himself about the short cuts to greater accomplishments? Has anyone been so complacent as to think that he is the bearer of the heaviest load? Yea, and does anyone feel that success comes with a lack of effort?

I make no reservation, no exceptions, and no compromises. Our obligations are great, and our burdens heavy. Our homes must be preserved and our schools must survive. Some things may change or become extinct, but our institution shall endure the ages. Have you set your goal or are you still dazed and uncertain? Does the outlook of the future appear encouraging and hopeful to you? May you set your course and never falter, and by all means do not give up.

Then with the Apostle Paul may you be able to say, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." — B. H. HORTON, JR., *Principal.*

MISS SARA PAXTON MISS FAYE OVERCASH MRS THELMA BASS
MISS HILDA MORGAN MRS. U. G. HAGER

FACULTY

MISS SARA PAXTON
12th Homeroom, Math,
Physical Ed., History

MISS FAYE OVERCASH
11th Homeroom, English,
Commercial

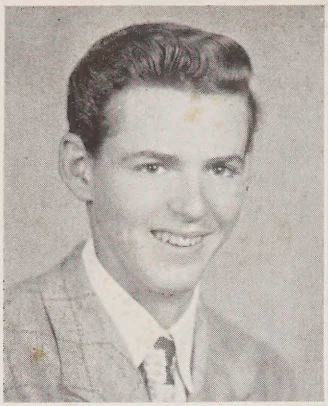
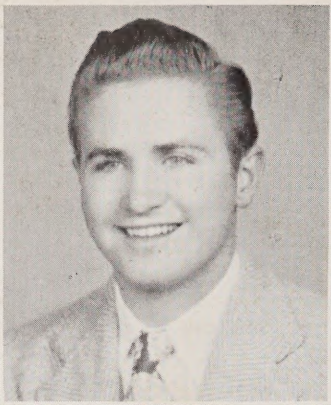
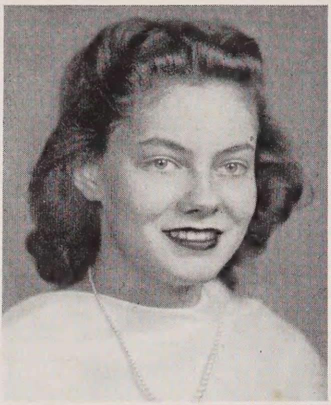
MRS. THELMA BASS
10th Homeroom, English,
French, Commercial

MISS HILDA MORGAN
9th Girls' Homeroom
Home Economics

MRS. U. G. HAGER
9th Boys' Homeroom
Science

SENIORS

"Ambition has no rest".

BAKER LIPPARD RHYNE BOWMAN

HILL and PHILLIPS

CLASS OFFICERS

Charlie Baker	*President*
Carl Lippard	*Vice-President*
Gene Rhyne	*Secretary*
Bulow Bowman	*Treasurer*

MASCOTS

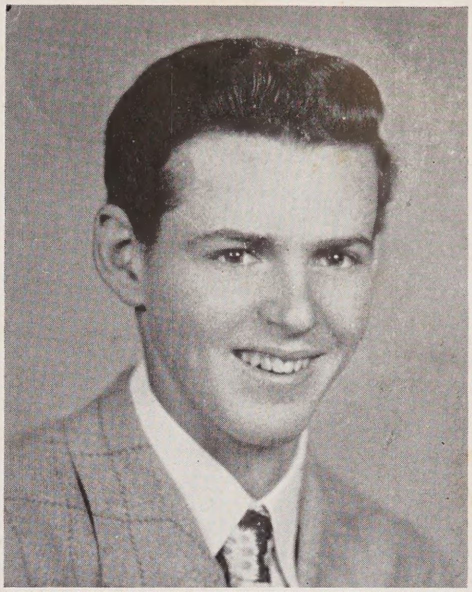
Linda Hill *and* Sammy Phillips

CHARLES WILLIAM BAKER, III

"CHARLIE"

"A man polished to a finish."

Class President 4, Vice-President 2; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Bus Driver 3, 4; King of Hearts 2; Dramatics Club 3; Victory Corps 2; Student Conference Leader 4; Banquet Committee 2; Student Patrol 3.



BULOW WILSON BOWMAN

"BULOW"

"A lover of life and living."

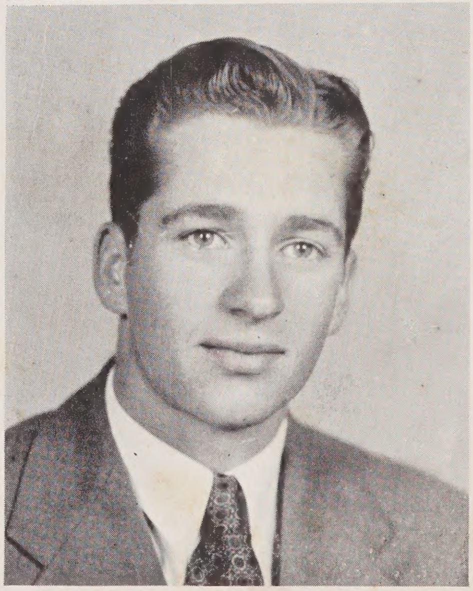
Victory Club 1, 2, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3; Student Patrol 3, 4; Piano 1, 2; Glee Club 2; Journalism Club 1, 2, 3; "Eavesdropper" Staff 2, 3; Banquet Committee 2; "Floodlight" Staff 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4, Captain 4; Softball 3; Junior Marshal; Class Treasurer 3, 4; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 3, 4; Superlative 4; Student Conference Leader 4; Bus Driver 3, 4; Sportsmanship Award 3; President Beta Club 3; President Monogram Club 4.

ROSS MARTIN FULLER BRIGMAN

"ROSS"

"Forever warm and winning in his nature."

Audubon Club 1; Dramatics Club 1, 2, 3; Student Patrol 1, 2, 3; Annual Staff 4; Bus Driver 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Journalism Club 4.



CAROLYN MAE BROOKSHIRE

"BROOKSHIRE"

"Sweetness crowns her mirthful spirit."

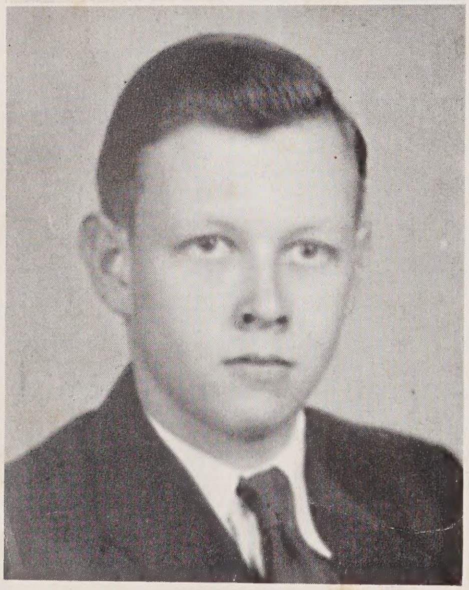
Victory Corp 3; 4-H Club 3; Glee Club 2; Banquet Committee 2; Victory Club 2.

ELEANOR JOSEPHINE BRYANT

"E. B."

"Versatility is a coveted gift of the gods."

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Captain 3; Beta Club 3, 4; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4, Secretary 3; Class Secretary 2; Class Vice-President 3; Junior Marshal; Banquet Committee 2; Editor "Eavesdropper" 3; Editor "Floodlight" 3, 4,; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Office Staff 4; Student Patrol 3, 4; Piano 1, 2, 3; Superlative 4; Student Conference Leader 4; Minstrel 3; Glee Club 2; Victory Corps 1.



JOHN ROBERT CALDWELL

"BOBBY"

"Never idle a moment, but thrifty and thoughtful of others."

Science Club 2; Beta Club 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Victory Corp 1; Junior Marshal.

NANCY LOU CULP

"LULU"

"A personality as sparkling as dew in the sunlight."

Cheerleader 2, 3, 4, Chief 3, 4; Monogram Club 3, 4; Banquet Committee 2; "Eavesdropper" Staff 3; Dramatics Club 2; Glee Club 1, 2; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3; Piano 1, 2, 3; Voice 2, 3; Annual Staff 4; Superlative 4; Victory Corps 1; Minstrel 3.

RACHEL JUNE DAVIS

"JUNE"

"And still be doing, never done."

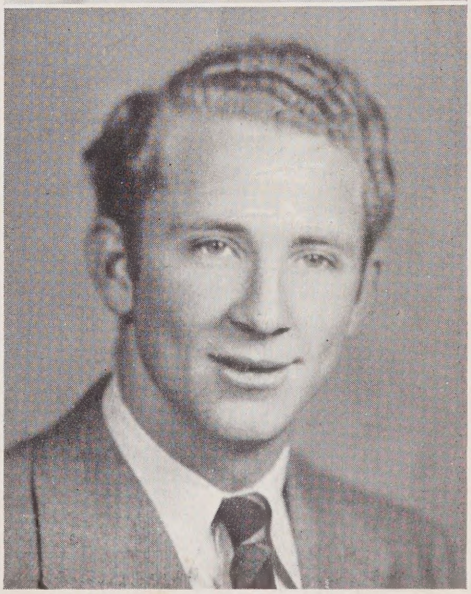
Beta Club 2, 3, 4; "Eavesdropper" Staff 2, 3, Editor 4; Banquet Committee 2; 4-H Club 1; Dramatics Club 2, 3; Glee Club 2; Jr. Marshal; Student Conference Leader 4; Superlative 4.

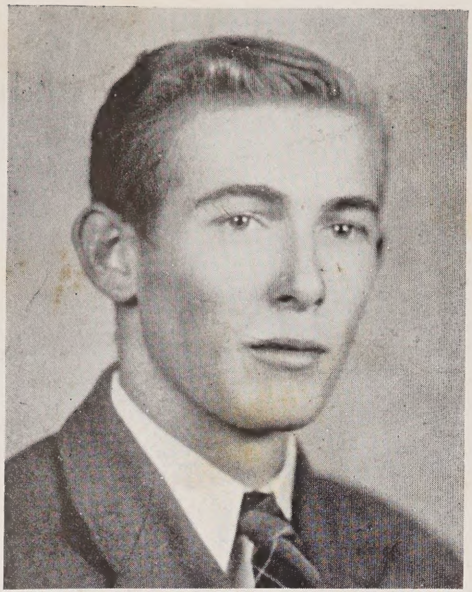
ELWIN RICHARDSON EDWARDS

"ELMO"

*"Happy, happy being with a soul as strong
as a mountain river."*

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Captain 3; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; Bus Driver 3, 4; Patrolman 3, 4; Journalism Club 3; Dramatics Club 3; Annual Staff 4; Victory Corps 1; Superlative 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3; Sportsmanship Award 3; Banquet Committee 2.





CHARLES BYRON HAWKINS, JR.

"HAWKSHAW"

"I am a citizen of the world."

Blackburn School 1, 2.

MABLE ELIZABETH HILL

"HILL"

"A merry, laughing, singing maid."

Basketball 3, 4; Monogram Club 4; Beta Club 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1, 2; Dramatics Club 2, 3; Banquet Committee 2; "Eavesdropper" Staff 3; Piano 1; Annual Staff 4; Superlative 4; Student Conference Committee 4; Victory Corps 1; Minstrel 3.

WILO-DEAN JACKSON

"DEANIE"

"Smiling and lovable always."

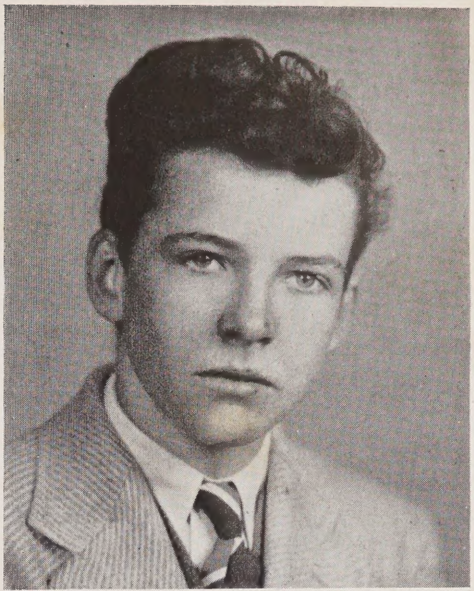
Cheerleader 3, Chief 4; Monogram Club 4; Victory Corps 1; Home Economics Club 2; Minstrel 3; Banquet Committee 2; Finance Chairman of Class 4; Annual Staff 4; Glee Club 1, 2; 4-H Club 1, 2; Superlative 4; Student Conference Committee 4; Student Patrol 4.

WILLIAM BRUCE KISER, JR.

"BUDDY"

"The world is a wheel, and it will come round right."

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club 2; Victory Club 2; Victory Corp 1; Student Patrol 1; Annual Staff 4; Banquet Committee 2.

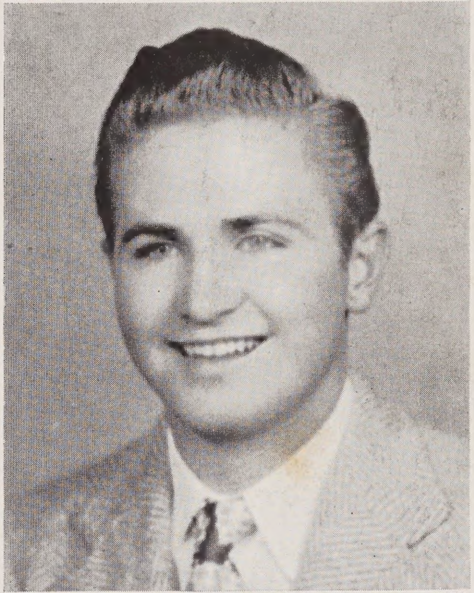


CARL THOMAS LIPPARD

"CARL"

"A friend indeed to all."

Class President 1, 2, 3, Vice-President; 4 Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Captain 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Bus Driver 4; Editor "Eavesdropper" 3; Journalism Club 2, 3; Monogram Club 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Conference Leader 4; Annual Staff 4; Junior Marshal 2; King of Hearts 3.

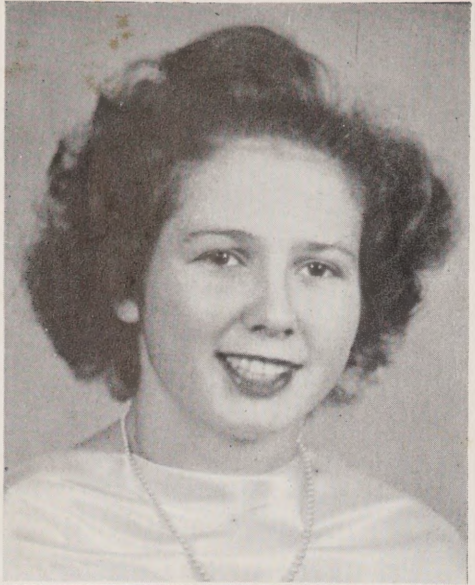


MARTHA ANNA PATRICK

"PATRICK

"A nimble wit has she."

Country Day School 1; Banquet Committee 2; Dramatics Club 2, 3; Journalism Club 3; Basketball 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3; Beta Club 4; Monogram Club 4; Student Conference Leader 4; Class Lawyer 4; Student Patrol 3, 4.

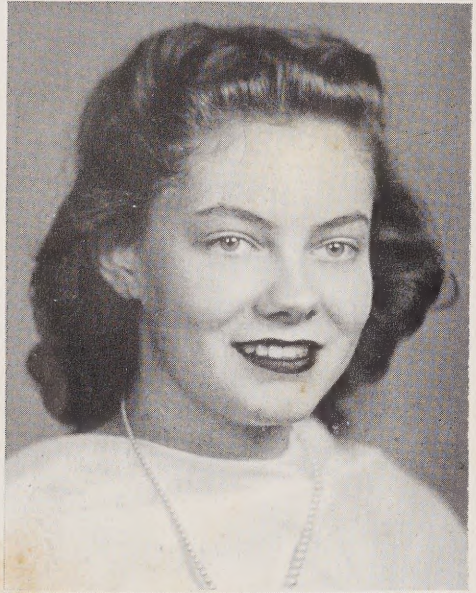


MARTHA LEE PORTER

"PORTER"

"I have a heart with room for every joy."

Basketball 2, 3, 4, Captain 3, 4; Journalism Club 3; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Glee Club 2; 4-H Club 1, 2; Superlative 4; Student Conference Committee 4; Home Economics Club 2; Victory Corps 1; Minstrel 3.

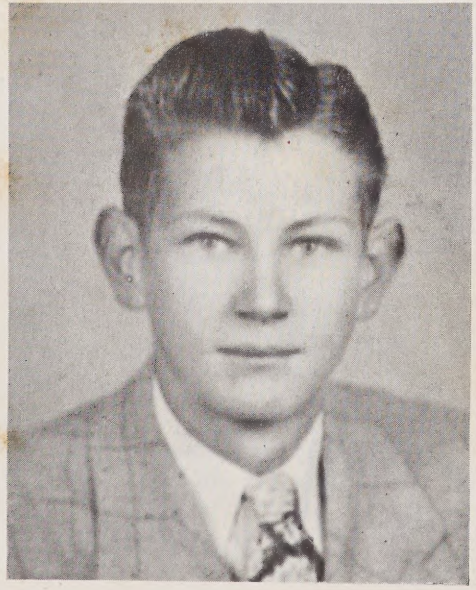


EUGENIA MARIE RHYNE

"GENE"

"Not much talk — a great, sweet silence."

Home Economics Club 1, 2; Secretary of Class 1, 3, 4; Treasurer of Class 1; Beta Club 2, 3, 4; Science Club 2; Junior Marshal 2; 4-H Club 1, 2; Glee Club 1, 2; Banquet Committee 2; Student Conference Committee 4; Office Assistant 3, 4; Superlative 4; Victory Corps 1.



WELDON JENNINGS SHRUM

"CRIP"

"He lived, beloved by all who knew him."

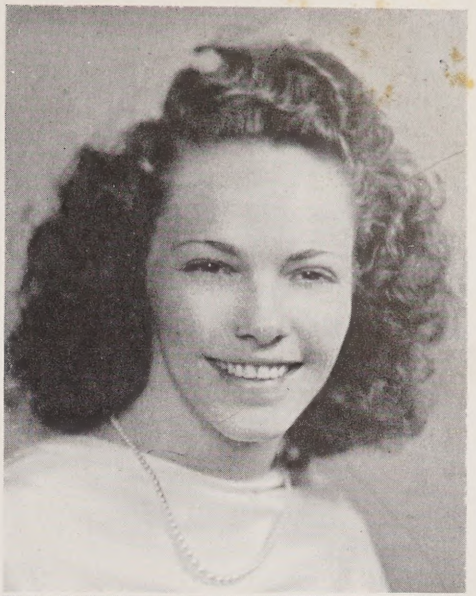
Basketball 2, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Journalism Club 2, 3; Victory Club 2; Baseball 4; Student Patrol 3, 4; Superlative 4; Victory Corps 1; Annual Staff 4; Banquet Committee 2; Minstrel 2.

IMOGENE WENTZ

"GENE"

"So keep I fair through faith and prayer."

Indian Trail High School 1, 2; Glee Club 1, 2; Home Economics Club 1, 2; Banquet Committee 2; Student Patrol 3.

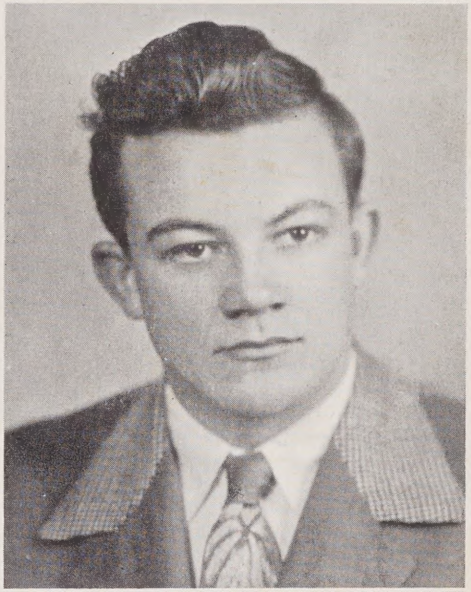


ROBERT AKERS WINFREY

"BOBBY"

"Possessing a wit that loved to play."

4-H Club 1, 2; Victory Club 1; Monogram Club 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club 2; Victory Corp 1; Annual Staff 4; Banquet Committee 2.



BETTY LEAKE WOLFE

"WOLFE"

"A spirit of laughing springtime."

Cheerleader 1; Vice-President Class 1; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Music 1, 2; Glee Club 2; Banquet Committee 2; Treasurer of Class 2; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Queen of Hearts 2, 3; Bus Driver 3, 4; Annual Staff 3, 4; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; Journalism Club 3.

CLASS POEM

Now that we are leaving you
Let us first of all,
Wish you many good wishes,
Work hard and do not fall.

When we were only freshmen,
We felt we had far to rise.
But now that we are leaving,
We can really open our eyes.

If we were just beginning,
We would work, hard and long
Having fun and making friends
Trying to do no wrong.

But now that we are Seniors,
We look back upon our years,
Have we been a success so far?
Have we anything to fear?

We hope all those behind us
Will do as well as we—
Have fun and be good students
And for you success will be.

To all those who helped us
We want to tell you here,
We thank you very deeply,
You have been so dear.

And now as we go far and wide
In different fields of fame,
We hope you will work hard
To hold up "SHARON'S" *name.*

ROSS BRIGMAN,
CLASS POET.

CLASS HISTORY

Years and years ago—well, maybe not quite that long, records show that it has been only four years — we finally reached our long admired class — the ninth grade. At first we thought we were the smartest ones but it took only a few days to find out we were not. We got settled and into the swing of high school. We elected our leaders next who were: Carl Lippard, Betty Wolfe, and Gene Rhyne. This year passed rather slowly but we were looking forward to our Sophomore year. Mrs. Paschal was our homeroom teacher.

Well, there it was — our first day as a sophomore. It was wonderful! Mrs. Denton was our sponsor, and our officers were David McGinis, Lloyd McCready, Eleanor Bryant, and Betty Wolfe. Work was ahead of us so we started in trying to make money for the Senior Banquet. At Thanksgiving, Mrs. Denton left and Mrs. R. C. Brown took her place. We sold magazine subscriptions, scrap, gave a boxing match, and sponsored a play. Our work was hard but we made it and had the best banquet held in a long time at the Hotel Charlotte. The only disappointment was that *Sophomore*-Senior rather than *Junior*-Senior prefix to the banquet.

David McGinis left us because his family moved to California.

Our Junior year was the most difficult of any in the history of schools. We were the oldest class at school; expected to be treated as Seniors, and most everyone called us Seniors. We occupied the Senior room, but with all that, we lacked one year of graduating. We published a small annual, and rather than a banquet, we had a Sophomore-Junior prom in our gymnasium. We worked, saved money to be used for our Senior trip (we hoped), helped the Sophomore class put on a Negro Minstrel. Our sponsor was Miss Paxton and our class officers were Carl Lippard, Eleanor Bryant, Gene Rhyne, and Bulow Bowman.

If we thought our Junior year was a busy one, it was just because we did not know what was ahead of us for this, our Senior year — it seems we've been Seniors two years. We started the very first day working and planning. Miss Paxton was again our sponsor. Our officers were Charlie Baker, Carl Lippard, Gene Rhyne, and Bulow Bowman. We published a large annual, planned and made our trip to Florida — including Silver Springs, St. Augustine, and Daytona Beach. Eleanor Bryant, Mable Hill, and Nancy Culp were the main staff for the annual. Mrs. Moore of Moore's Tours planned our trip. The Junior Class gave us a very nice banquet. We had the first Senior Play since before the war—"Jobyna Steps Out."

Before our Senior year it seemed that we were always unlucky; we stayed in grammar school through the eighth grade, and not gratuating in the 11th grade. But, by finishing this year, after the war, with things becoming more like normal every day, we have had many advantages; the play, the trip, and the trip to Chapel Hill to Senior Day and the football game. All the senior basketball players received silver basketballs. In fact, this was a wonderful year to be a Senior! It was a wonderful year to graduate! It was a wonderful year! And, all four years have been wonderful years!

BULOW BOWMAN, *Historian.*

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

We the class of 1947 Sharon High School, being of sound mind and judgment, do make and declare this to be our last will and covenant, hereby revoking any and such wills and covenants as may heretofore have been made.

ARTICLE I

To our faculty, our sincere appreciation for the time and effort they have spent preparing us to meet the world.

ARTICLE II

To all the classes to follow ours the unfulfilled hopes and dreams we had for our dear old school.

ARTICLE III

(*Personal Bequests*)

I, Gene Rhyne leave my spotted pencils to Jack Stanford.

I, Bulow Bowman, leave my ability to get around my teachers to Walter Husky.

I, Bobby Winfrey, well, I'm just leaving. (I hope).

I, Betty Wolfe, leave my "blonde" streak (peroxide) to Jeanette Black.

I, Ross Brigman, leave my good naturedness to Patsy Smith.

I, Eleanor Bryant, leave my sarcasm to Hazeline Martin.

I, Carolyn Brookshire, leave my plumpness to Dot Hill.

I, Elwin Edwards, leave my curly hair to Bobby Byrum, who no doubt will like it and give his own to Cotton McGarity, who needs some.

We, Wilo-Dean Jackson and Nancy Culp, leave our cheerleading ability to Betty Lowder and Betty Bailes.

I, Bobby Caldwell, leave my love of Physics to whoever needs some affection for it next year.

I, Charles Hawkins, will my "fishing" excuse to anyone who wants to skip next year.

I, Buddy Kiser, leave the cracked off piece of my tooth to whoever will give me the most for the hole it left.

I, Gene Wentz, leave my ability to get along with Miss Overcash to the class of '48.

I, Charlie Baker, leave my ability as a wolf to Burnett Lockwood.

I, Weldon Shrum, leave my Biology unit to my brother, Russell, who no doubt needs it.

I, Martha Porter, leave my spirit of good sportsmanship to the whole school.

I, Mable Hill, leave my height ? ? to Bill McCoy who needs it so-o-o-o bad.

I, Carl Lippard, leave my rosy cheecks to Nellie Black in hopes that it will save some on her make-up bill.

I, June Davis, leave my love and respect for Mrs. Bass to Jeanne Brice, who goodness knows needs somebody's.

I, Martha Anna Patrick, leave my wisdom ? ? courage ? ? and bravery ? ? to Mr. Horton.

MARTHA ANNA PATRICK, *Class Lawyer.*

CLASS PROPHECY

June 1, 1952
Sharon, N. C.

DEAR BUDDY:

Since I've been back in Sharon, N. C., I have tried to see all the old classmates so that I could tell you what has happened since you left this township five years ago to play professional baseball in New York.

Well, Buddy, your closest friends had a hard time in business at first, but they are really on the road to success now. Bobby Winfrey is now head plow-boy at Morrocroft Farms, and Charlie Hawkins is running a large fishing camp on the Catawba River.

Things down at the school have changed quite a bit too. June Davis is now teaching the twelfth grade and Martha Porter is the girls' athletic director. Gene Wentz has finally learned to make gathered skirts, and she now fills the position of Home Economics teacher at Sharon Hi. Ross Brigman has recently been appointed chief janitor of the school, so he's keeping down the dust.

I was over at Sharon's Shopping Center yesterday trying to buy a few things. When I walked into the grocery store, where Nancy Culp is manager, I found Nancy running around over the store like a mad woman. She said she was trying to keep the employees in the store. Weldon Shrum was slowly walking up and down the store between rows of cans pushing a broom and carrying a dust pan. He really enjoys life.

Over at the drug store I saw Bobby Caldwell jerking sodas, and while I was over there Charlie Baker came in with a crate of milk. Charlie is operating a large-scale dairy business down on the outskirts of Pineville.

Eleanor Bryant has given up her music and is now giving instructions on "how to operate the juke box" at Hedricks Soda Shop. Mr. Hedrick has a large, modern establishment, and each afternoon a matinee floor show, called the "Sharon Follies," is presented, and conducted by Betty Wolfe and Bulow Bowman. They keep up the town's morale.

Carolyn Brookshire is doing things for our fast growng town too. She's helping her daddy by patting hamburgers in his cafe down on Sharon Ave. Mable Hill is co-owner with her father in a new furniture store they have constructed. She does all the bookkeeping, so it must be a prosperous business.

I had some visitors this morning, but I wasn't surprised. It was Wilo-Dean Jackson and Miss Paxton; they are still trying to collect the money for the Christmas cards we sold in high school.

Last week I heard from Elwin Edwards. He is now working in Florida. His career consists of picking oranges on an orange plantation. Gene Rhyne and Jimmy Griffin are happily running a private airport. Jimmy flies, Gene watches.

All visitors to Sharon are sure to see Martha Ann Patrick. She owns a road-side stand out on Sharon Blvd., between Sharon and Charlotte.

Well, Buddy, I had a time getting all this information since the class is scattered so and I had such a short leave this time. I will probably see you very soon as my ship is going to dock in New York. I will tell you more when I see you. So long!

CARL LIPPARD, *Class Prophet.*

SALUTATORY

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We, the Seniors of '47 Welcome You!

We have the unique distinction of being the first class to graduate from Sharon after completing twelve grades. We have studied together, worked together, and played together, and now we are completing our high school days together.

At times the road has seemed long and hard and often we were tempted to give up and say, "It can not be done," but it has been done and we wish to thank those who have made it possible. There are many whose kind assistance and helpful advice have succeeded in lessening the trials and increasing the pleasure of our journey.

Tonight marks the accomplishment of the thing that we set out to achieve — the completing of our high school years. Tonight our paths will separate and each will take his individual way towards his place in the world of tomorrow. The years at Sharon have left an indelible mark on our characters which will better enable us to walk the various paths of our lives.

We are the first class from Sharon to graduate into what should be a peaceful world. It is our privilege to help promote and keep this peace and good will.

We may feel that the effort each individual exerts is too small to have any effect but every person doing the task before him to the best of his ability and being happy in his work makes a happy and prosperous nation. It is with this aim in mind that we, the class of '47, go out tonight, realizing the privileges that have been given us and hoping to bring honor to our Alma Mater.

Gene Rhyne, *Salutatorian.*

VALEDICTORY

Graduation! Is it the beginning or the end? To those of us who are facing it, it seems to be both. This night will mark the end of one era of our lives, a time which has been spent in years of study and hard work, years which have been filled with struggle and keen endeavor and in which we have experienced both glorious triumph and bitter disappointment. All of this has been in preparation for the future which we must meet. They are finished now but in a sense they can never be finished because in the years which are to follow we will truly reap their many benefits.

It is the beginning too. The time has finally come when we must take our place in life. I will not say that we face a completely bright future or one that is entirely safe because that would not be true. There will be many problems which must be worked out, but if we meet the test squarely an dpass it we will find that life indeed has much to offer. There are in our world of today many opportunities for high achievement and many chances to be of service to our fellowmen. However, we will also find the world to be competitive and it will be necessary for us to be sound in body, mind, and soul in order to meet its rugged requirements.

We realize all of this and so it is with mixed emotions that we say our last farewell, frightened and a little uncertain, but proud and hopeful too, knowing that we can get from life just what we want if we are willing to put forth the required amount of effort.

So Sharon we leave you with a deep appreciation with all the things that you have helped us to accomplish and the promise that all through life we will strive to live up to the best that's in us, so that you will never have occasion to feel ashamed of the class of '47.

June Davis, *Valedictorian.*

SUPERLATIVES

Left to Right:

- ★ GENE RHYNE
  Prettiest Girl
- ★ WILO-DEAN JACKSON
  Most Likable
- ★ WELDON SHRUM
  Most Popular
- ★ NANCY CULP
  Best Personality
- ★ BUDDY KISER
  Cutest Boy
- ★ BETTY WOLFE
  Most Original
- ★ JUNE DAVIS
  Most Intellectual

SUPERLATIVES

Left to Right:

- ★ MABLE HILL
  Cutest Girl
- ★ ELWIN EDWARDS
  Most Athletic Boy
- ★ MARTHA PORTER
  Most Athletic Girl
- ★ CARL LIPPARD
  Best Looking Boy
- ★ BULOW BOWMAN
  Best All Round
- ★ CHARLIE BAKER
  Most Likely to Succeed
- ★ ELEANOR BRYANT
  Most Valuable

STOP
NORTH CAROLIN
MECKLENBURG
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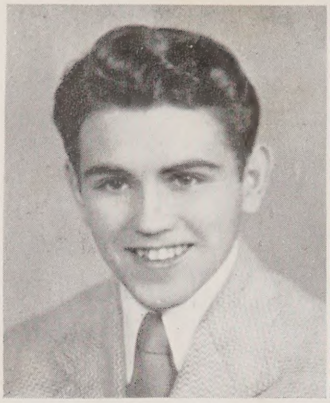
RTH CA

JUNIORS

"Prove all things, hold fast that which is good".



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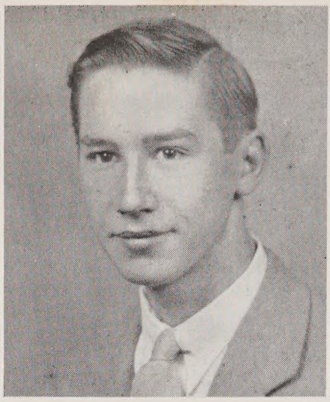

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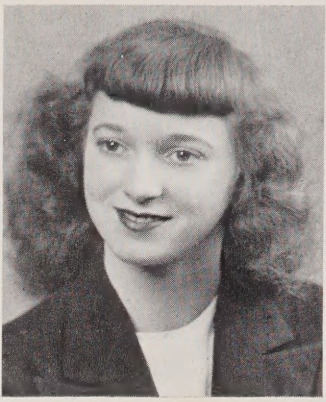

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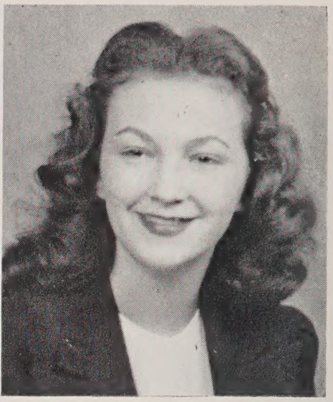


BETTY LOWDER
Treasurer

JUNIOR CLASS HISTORY

In 1943 we entered Sharon's door prepared for high school. We soon learned that we weren't in high school at all because the twelfth grade had been added to the county schols. Instead, we found ourselves between grammar school and high school. Nevertheless, we felt pretty big. Our class had increased greatly, and most of the students from Woodlawn were new to us. By the end of the year we were all just one big class.

Our freshman year was the year that we really felt grown up. It was our first year in high school. Our class was divided into two classes. Miss Gaddy as the girls' homeroom teacher, and Mrs. Paschal as the boys'. We elected Pat Palmer, President; Burnett Lockwood, Vice-President; Jeanette Black, Secretary; and Betty Lowder, treasurer. We had our first big class parties this year and invited all the high school students to most of them. We were then looking forward to a year that seemed more important to us.

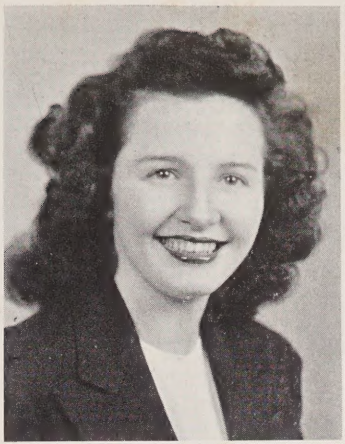
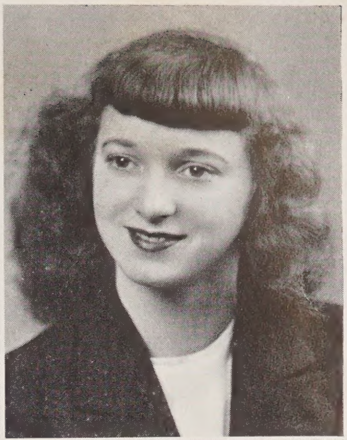
We were Sophomores the next year. We had lost some of our classmates, the number in our homeroom greatly decreased. We were once more united as a class having Mrs. C. E. Neely as our sponsor. We chose as our class officers—Burnett Lockwood, President; Bill McCoy, Vice-President; Hazeline Martin, Secretary; and Jack Stanford, Treasurer. In our sophomore year we sponsored a minstrel show to help finance us in a party that we gave at the end of the school year. Our year came to a close and we were happy to know that we would be juniors next year.

As we came back to our junior year, we found we had a new class sponsor, Miss Faye Overcash. Our class officers were Burnett Lockwood, President; Jack Stanford, Vice-President; Jeanette Black, Secretary; and Betty Lowder, Treasurer. We again set out on the task of financing our biggest event of the year—the Junior-Senior Banquet.

We now come to the close of another year and look forward to our next year as seniors.

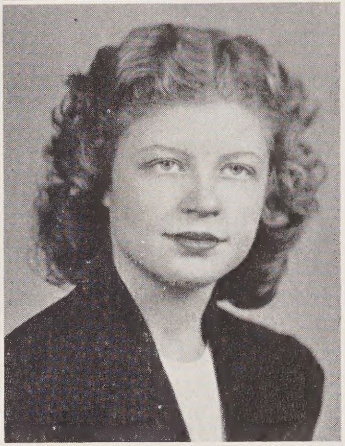
Betty Bailes

Jeanette Black

Nellie Black

Peggy Boyd



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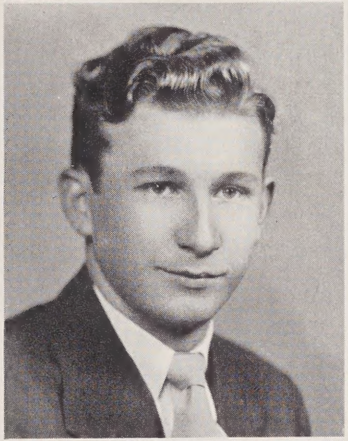
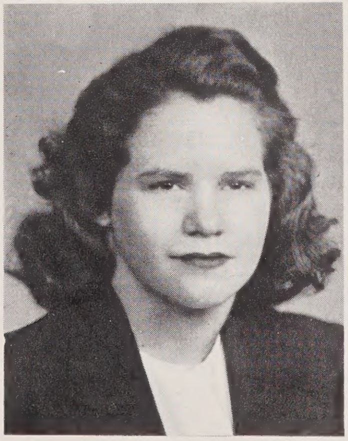
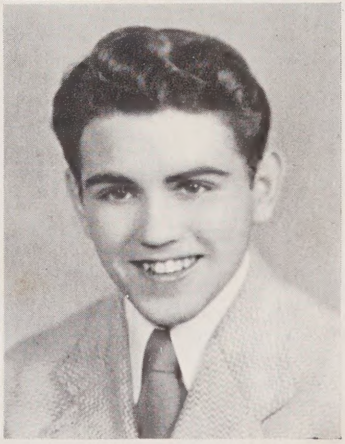
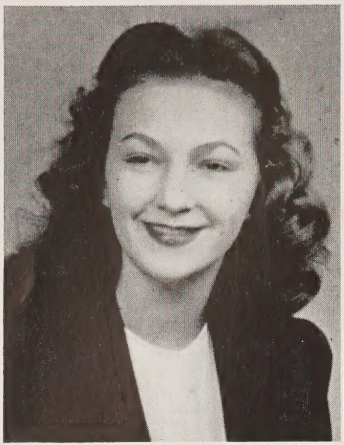
Graham Hall



Betty Howell

Burnett Lockwood



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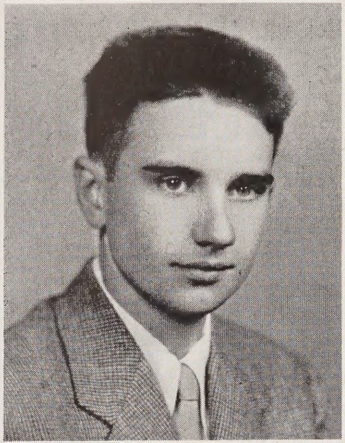
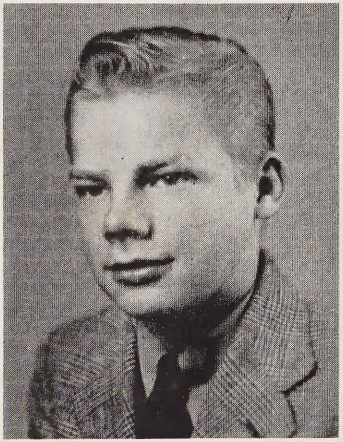
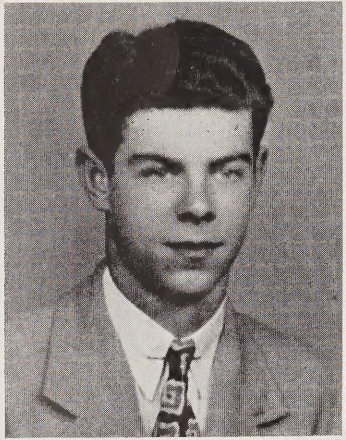
Hazeline Martin

Bill McCoy

Alfred McGarity



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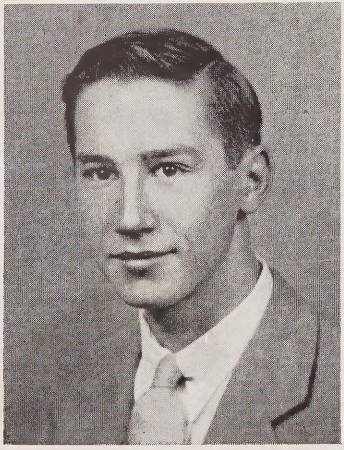
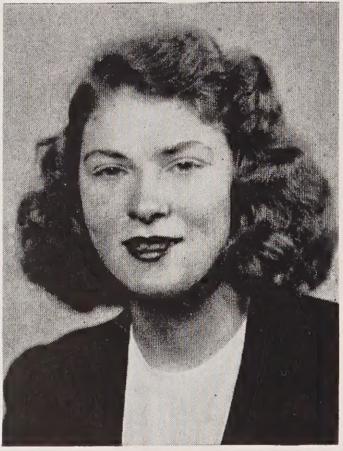
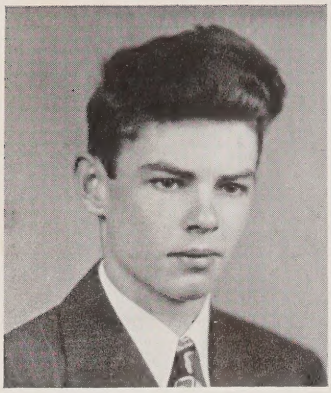



Jack Stanford

Sara Whitesides

SOPHOMORE

"Then on! then on! where duty leads,
my course be onward still".



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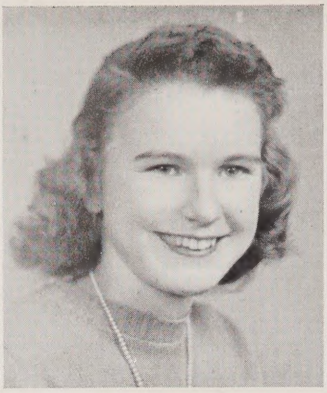


BETTY McCOY
Vice-President

BENNY DOUGLAS
Secretary

MARGARET SAMONDS
Treasurer

SOPHOMORE CLASS HISTORY

It all started in the first grade. The majority came from Sharon Grammar Grades, while a few came from Woodlawn. A good many came from other schools.

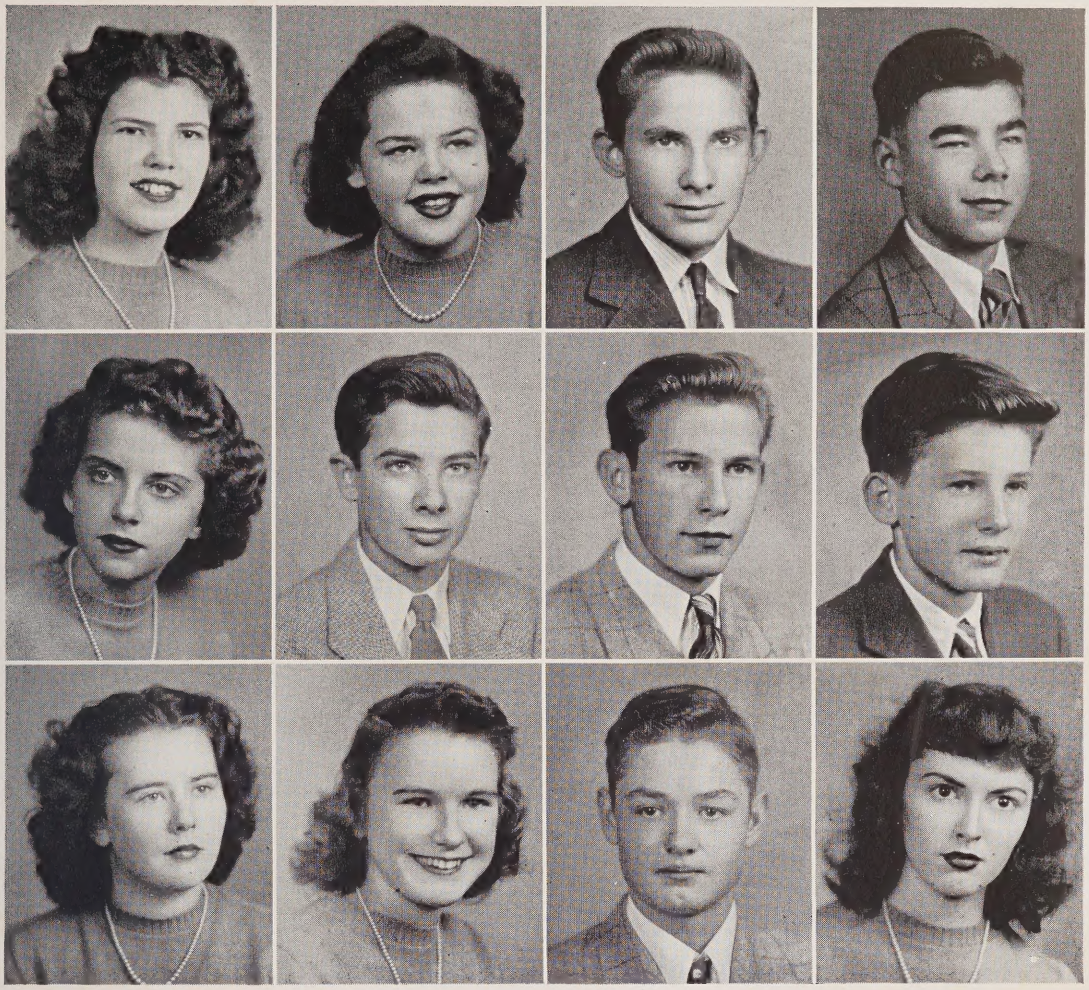
A great year was 1936 when most of the boys and girls now in the tenth grade started to school for the first time. Everyone was excited, but after a few years and we really found out what school meant, the excitement died.

Our years from the first to the sixth grade passed fast, but in '41 when we were sixth graders, a catastrophe came — the United States were at war. School seemed a minor matter then, although the boys and girls worked harder, only to keep their minds off of war. In the seventh grade things began to look a little brighter, for next year we were to all be at Sharon, united, to make new friends.

We were not yet in high school in the eighth grade, but we considered ourselves a little higher than just grammar school.

The ninth grade meant the separation of the boys from the girls but this year in the tenth grade we are together again and seem to be doing all right in our studies. It has been a very busy year for all and we are hoping to pass into the eleventh grade next year.

SOPHOMORES



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JEAN BIGHAM

EARL BLACKWELDER

JOHN BOECKMANN

Second Row:

JEANNE BRICE

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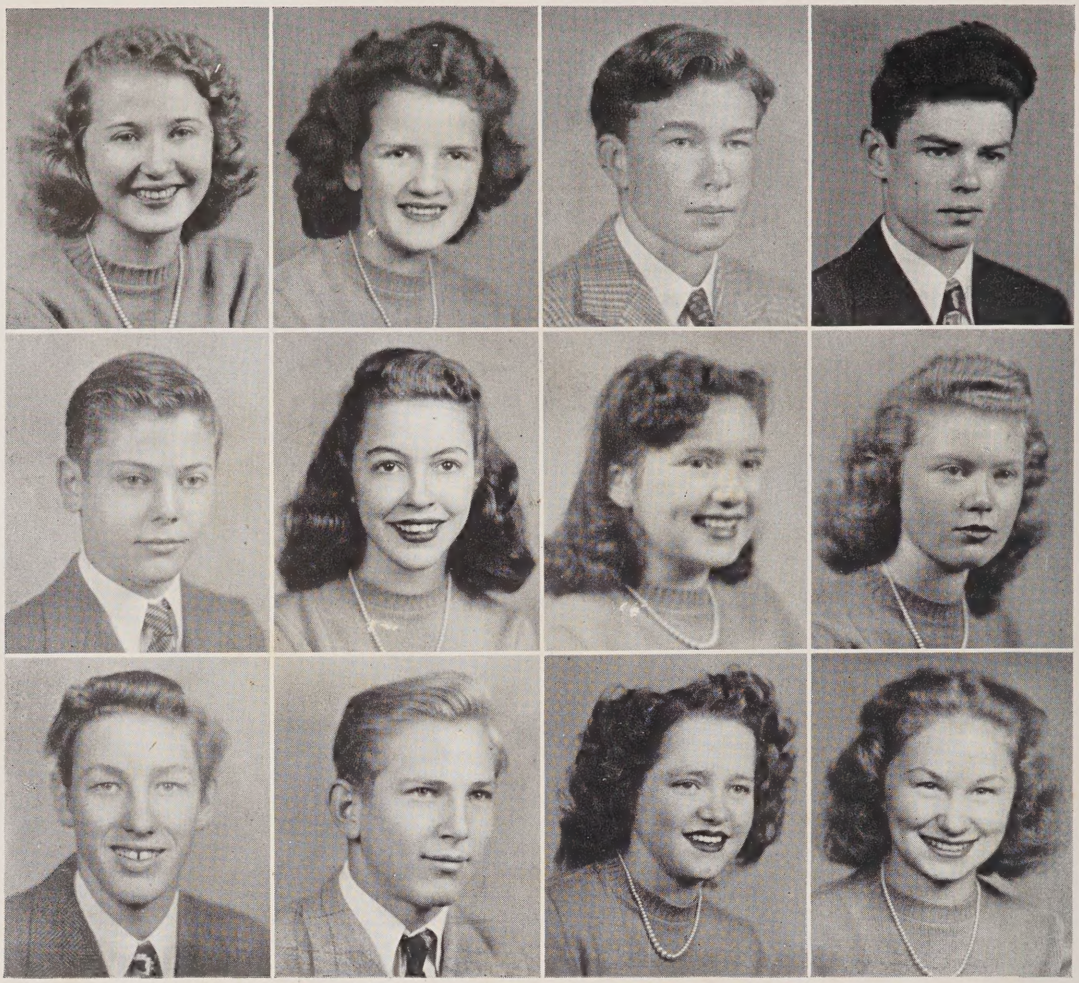
MARILYN MEACHAM

SOPHOMORES



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BETTY MILLER

TOMMY L. PHILLIPS

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Second Row:

KENNETH RICHARDSON

JERIS ROOF

ANN SAMONDS

MARGARET SAMONDS

Third Row:

DAVID SHORT

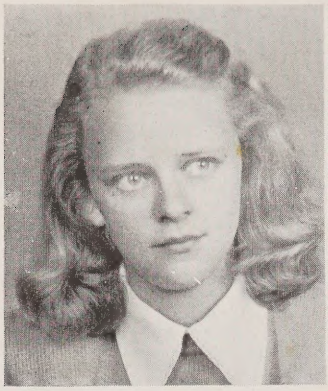
RUSSELL SHRUM

PATSY LEE SMITH

TERESSIA THERRELL

FRESHMEN

"In doing what we ought we deserve no praise, because it is our duty".



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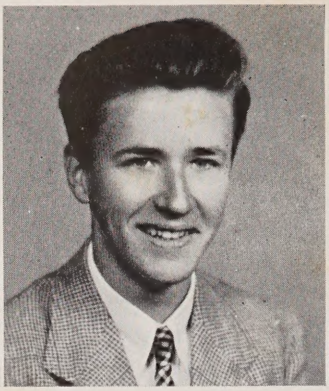

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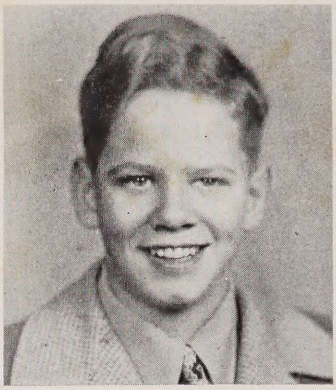

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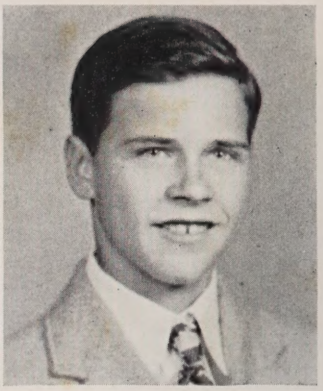

BILLY WASHAM
Secretary

FRESHMEN CLASS HISTORY

In August 1945, we entered the Eighth Grade thinking that we would be in high school, but we found that the twelfth grade had been added so we were counted as grammar school. Our teachers were Miss Knowles and Mrs. Smith. We came with the determination to learn how to play basketball. The girls had one period a week and the boys had one. The activities of the year were basketball, baseball, softball, and volleyball. In the first of June in 1946 we left the Eighth Grade and our teachers who had been so patient with us. We left feeling happy that in three months we would be in high school.

Finally came the day on the last of August 1946, that we were at last in high school. It was different from what we expected it to be. We had to work. Of course, we had more freedom than in the grades, but we also had more work. Our homeroom teachers were Miss Parks and Miss Morgan, but at the middle of the year Miss Parks left and Mrs. Hager took her place. After we had been in class about two weeks, we elected our class officers—Jean Graham, President; Bill Baker, Vice-Presisent; Bill Washam, Secretary; and Clifford Felts, Jr., Treasurer. Then after Christmas we had exams. We had really never had exams before and they were really hard. We soon learned we must study. Our activities were mostly basketball, some football, baseball and softball.

We were really proud when we won first prize in the P. T. A. scrap paper drive. Now, as we end our freshman year and make plans to enter next year as Sophomores, we feel that we can really be called High School Students!

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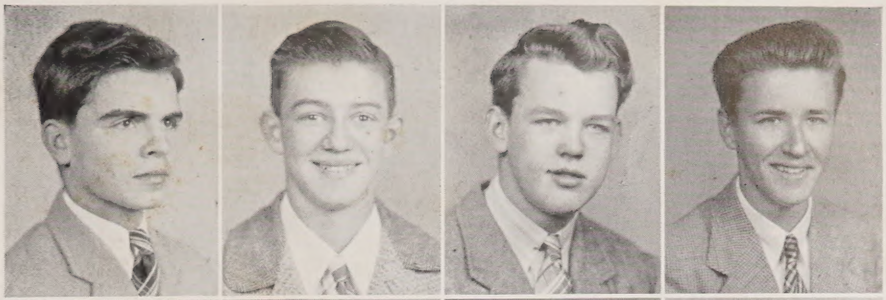
Tom Alewine

Billy Allmon

Bill Baker



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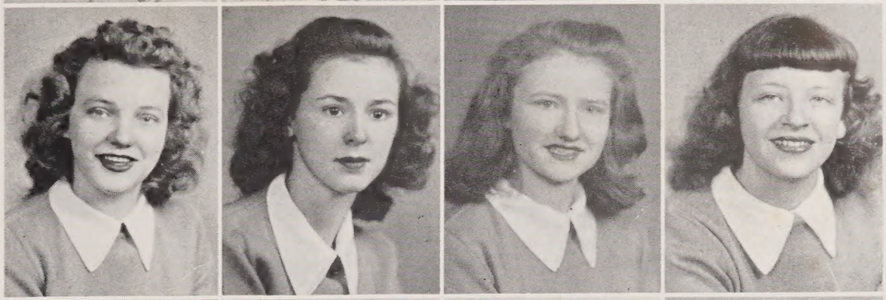

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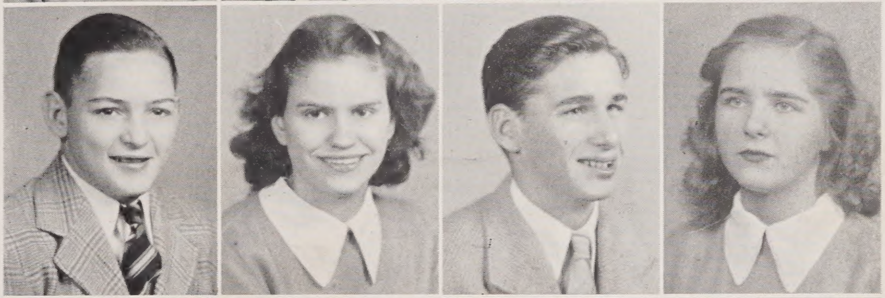

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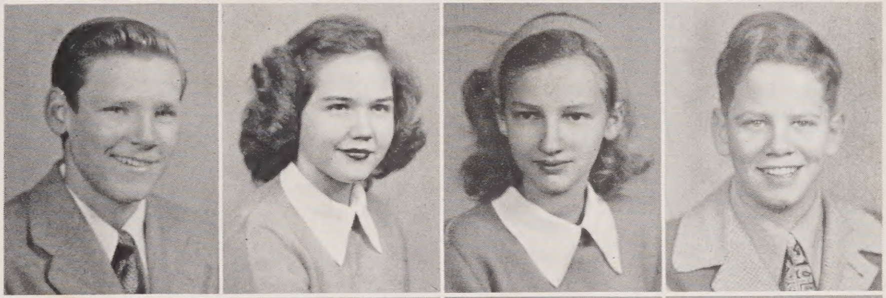

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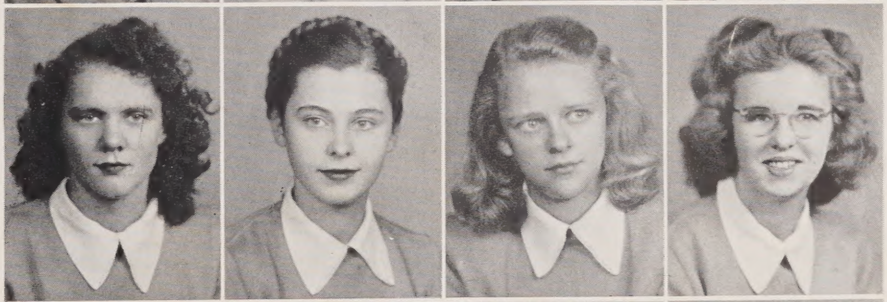

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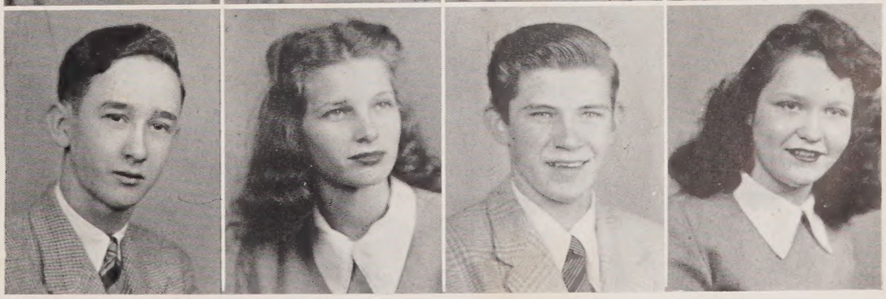
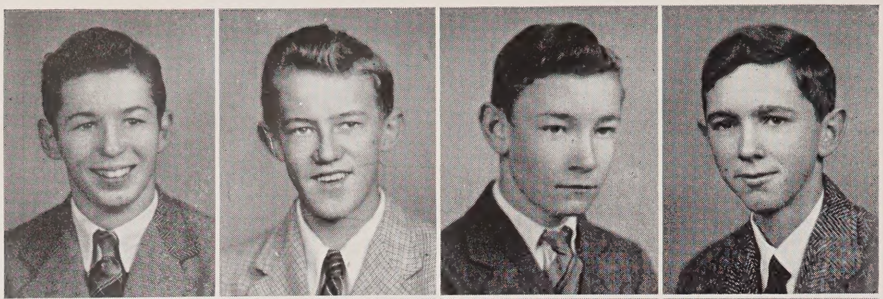
Jimmy Jackson

Mary Jackson





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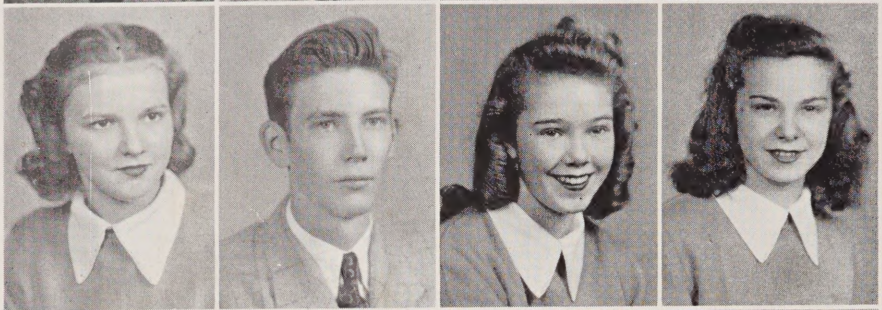

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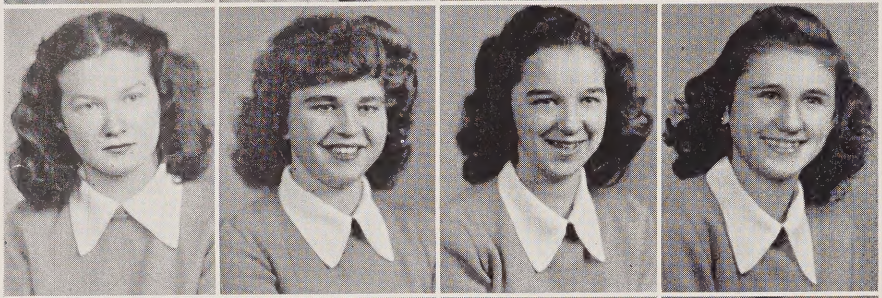

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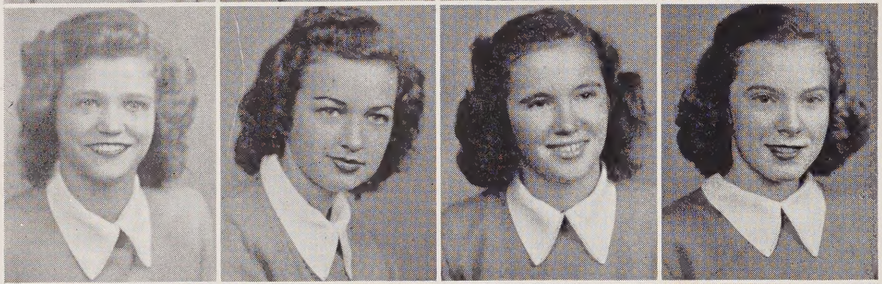

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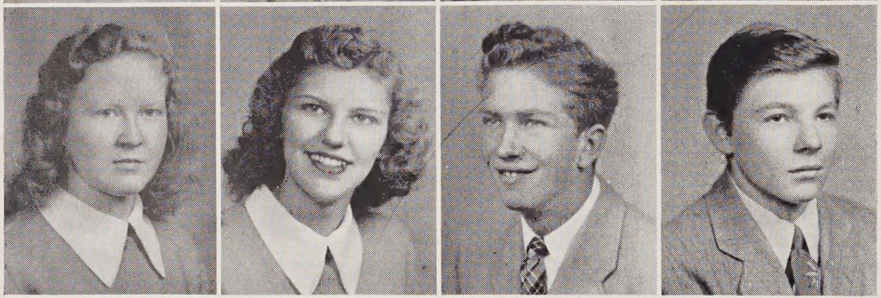

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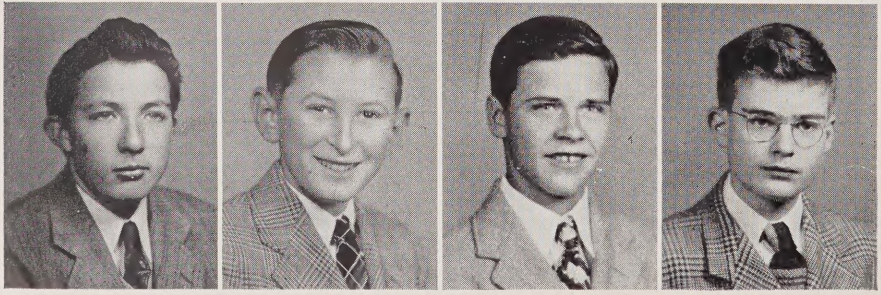

Jimmy Thompson
Lloyd Wallace
Billy Washam
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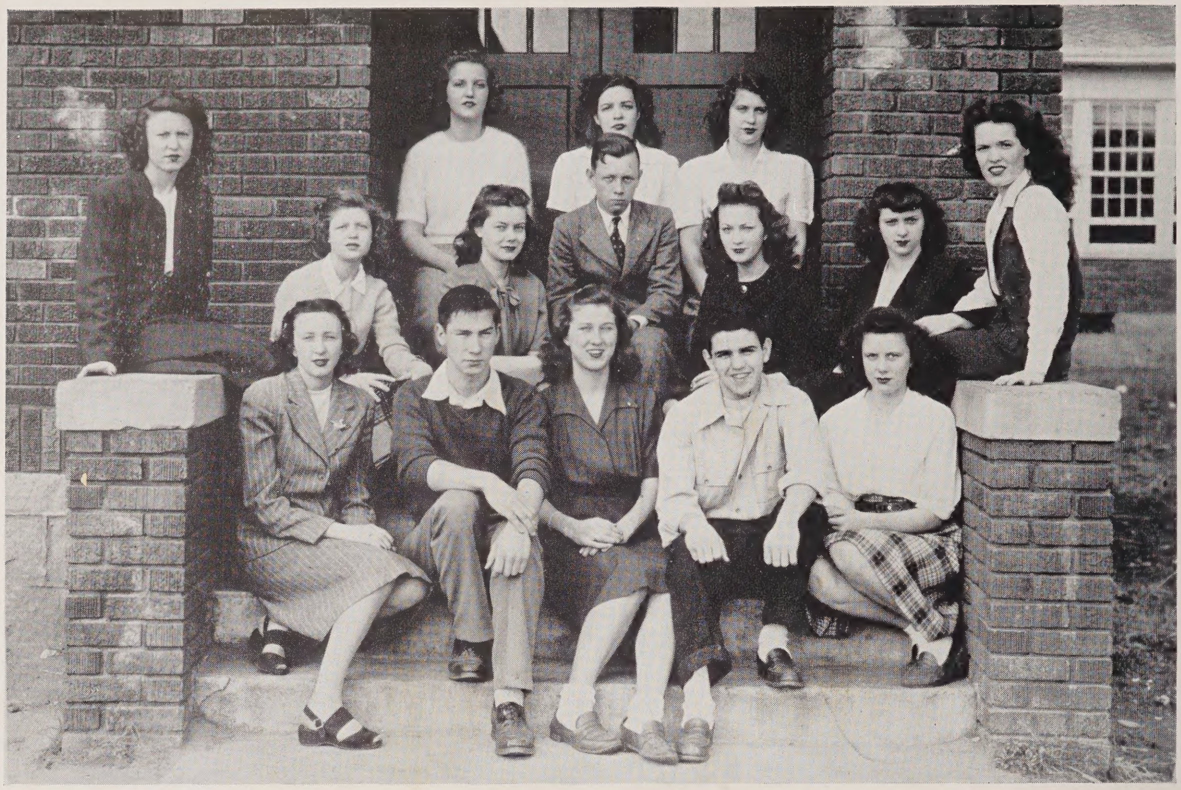
CLUBS

"Let's meet and either do or die".

BETA CLUB



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The Beta Club is a National Organization. Its purpose is to build up scholastic ambitions, and help in the achievement of honesty and leadership among the pupils of the high school. The club sponsor is Miss Hilda Morgan.

OFFICERS

BURNETT LOCKWOOD	*President*
HAZELINE MARTIN	*Vice-President*
BULOW BOWMAN	*Secretary*
JACK STANFORD	*Treasurer*

MEMBERS

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Bulow Bowman
Peggy Boyd
Eleanor Bryant
Bobby Caldwell
June Davis
Mable Hill
Burnett Lockwood
Betty Lowder
Hazel Martin
Martha Anna Patrick
Gene Rhyne
Betty Shepherd
Jack Stanford

MONOGRAM CLUB

The Monogram Club was organized to sponsor good sportsmanship in our school. All members must have earned a letter in some school sport — basketball, baseball, cheerleading, etc.

OFFICERS

Bulow Bowman	*President*
Elwin Edwards	*Vice-President*
Mable Hill	*Secretary*
Jack Stanford	*Treasurer*

MEMBERS

Charlie Baker
Jeanette Black
Bulow Bowman
Eleanor Bryant
Nancy Culp
Elwin Edwards
Mable Hill
Wilo-Dean Jackson
Buddy Kiser
Tommy Kiser
Carl Lippard
Burnett Lockwood
Hazeline Martin
Bill McCoy
Martha Anna Patrick
Johnny Phillips
Tommy Phillips
Martha Porter
Jack Stanford
Russell Shrum
Sara Whitesides
Betty Wolfe

MISS PAXTON........................*Club Sponsor*

DRAMATICS CLUB

The Dramatics Club is quite active this year under the leadership of Mrs. Thelma Bass. We have given some very interesting plays, and hope to encourage greater interest in dramatics.

MEMBERS

Tom Alewine
Earl Blackwelder
John Boeckman
Dot Boyd
Mary Ruth Caldwell
Benny Douglas
Walter Husky
Franklin McKinney
Mabel Rea
Kenneth Richardson
Betty Shepherd
David Short

JOURNALISM CLUB

The Journalism Club publishes a monthly school paper, *The Eavesdropper.* The purpose of the Journalism Club is to promote journalistic knowledge in our school and to present information to the students in an intelligent manner.

MEMBERS

Tom Alewine
Betty Bailes
Jeanne Baker
Peggy Boyd
Jeanne Brice
Ross Brigman
June Davis
Clifford Felts
Dot Hill
Tommy Kiser
Betty Lowder
Boots Lowder
Marilyn Meacham
Jean Meek
Guy Melton
Libby Phillips
Russell Shrum
Susie Smith
Teressia Therrell

MISS OVERCASH . . . . *Club Sponsor*

HOME ECONOMICS CLUB

The Home Economics Club is an organization interested in various home and social activities. It sponsors monthly meetings and provides interesting programs for its members. This club is composed of Home Economics students who work hard, have fun, and enjoy mutual interests in this subject.

MEMBERS

Faye Baker
Nellie Black
Jean Bigham
Betty Ann Davis
Peggy Felts
Betty Howell
Katherine Massey
Maxine McCraven
Betty McCoy
Betty Miller
Peggy Norman
Jeris Roof
Evelyn Shepherd
Patsy Smith

MISS HILDA MORGAN .... *Club Sponsor*

OFFICERS

Betty McCoy	*President*
Josephine Baker	*Vice-President*
Maxine McCraven	*Secretary*
Patsy Smith	*Treasurer*

4-H CLUB

The purpose of this club is to promote more interest to the life around us, in the home, school, and outdoors. The club has many various projects. This year the club entered a booth at the fair and won first prize of which we were very proud.

CLUB PLEDGE

I pledge my head to clearer thinking,
My heart to greater loyalty,
My hands to larger service,
And my health to better living, for
My club, my community, and my country.

MEMBERS

Tom Alewine
Charlie Baker
Earl Blackwelder
Dot Boyd
Peggy Boyd
Ross Brigman
Joe Brookshire
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Richard Ledford
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Alfred McGarity
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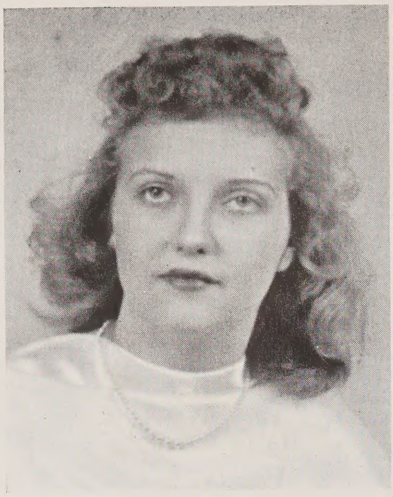
ACTIVITIES

"What heart can think, or tongue express the harm that groweth of idleness".

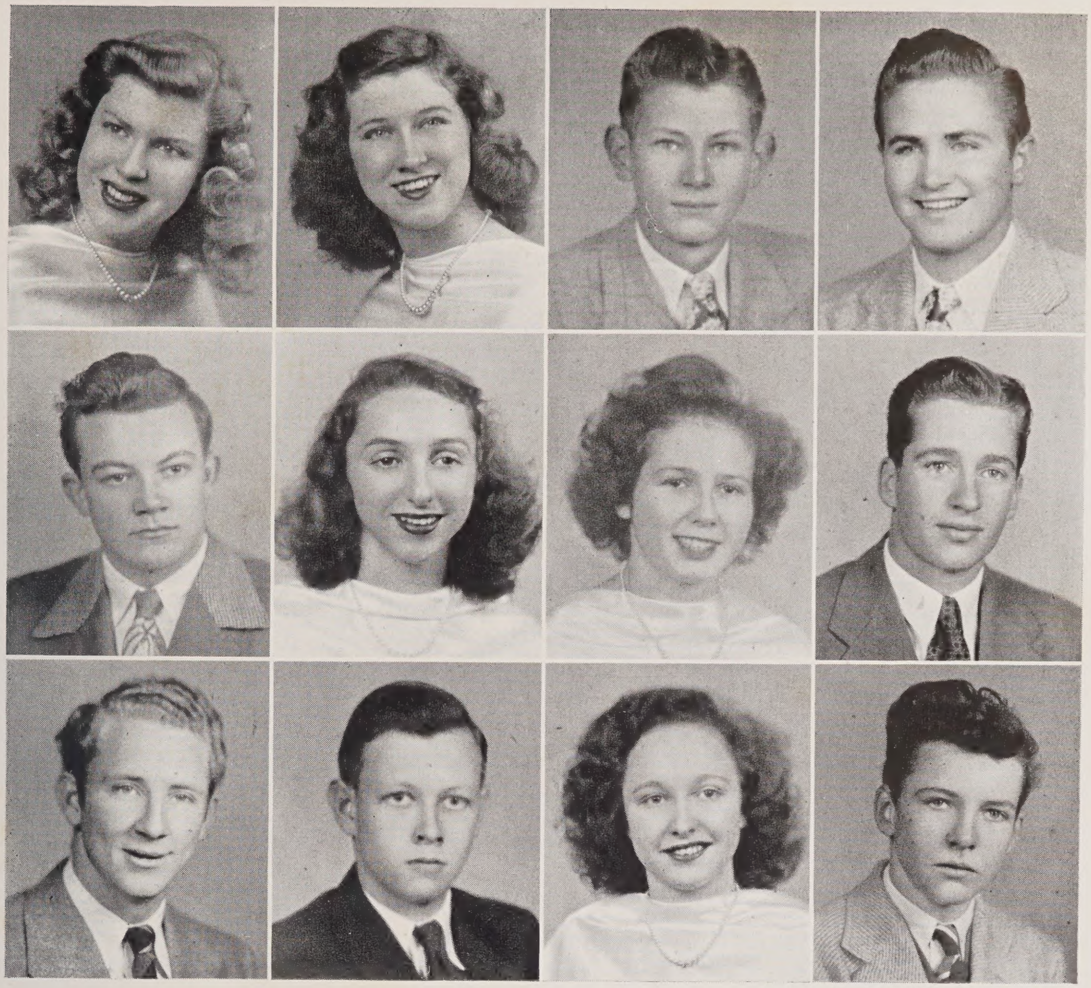


Eleanor Bryant
Editor

Mable Hill
Business Manager

FLOODLIGHT STAFF

STAFF AT WORK



NANCY CULP	BULOW BOWMAN	WELDON SHRUM	CARL LIPPARD
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STAFF

Nancy Culp	*Advertising Manager*
Bulow Bowman	*Associate Editor*
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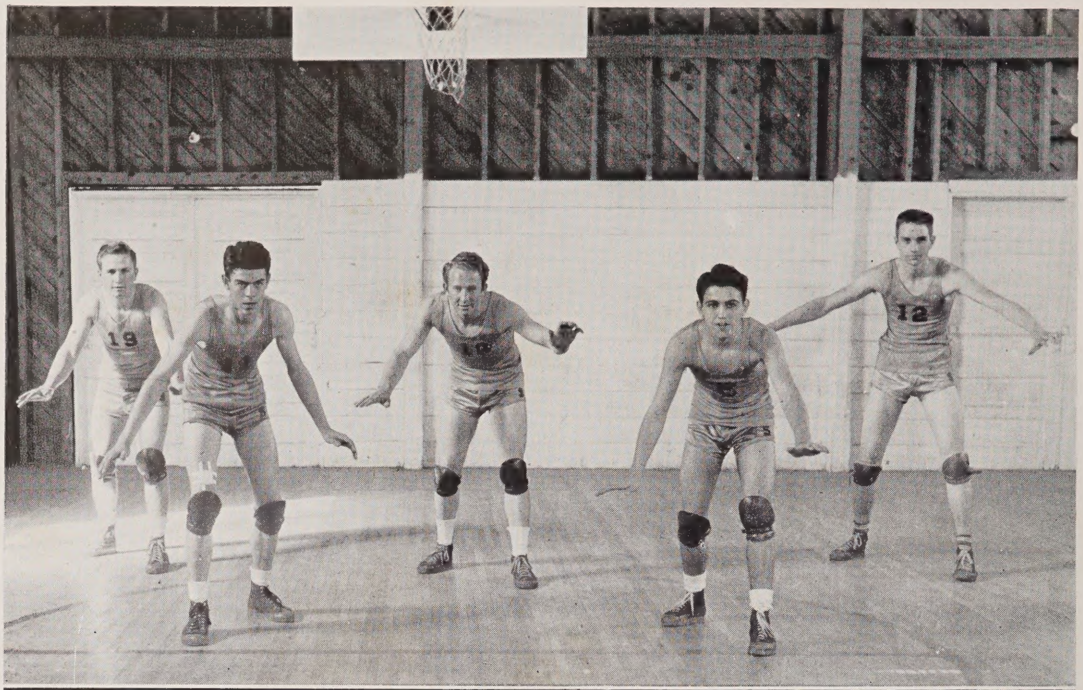

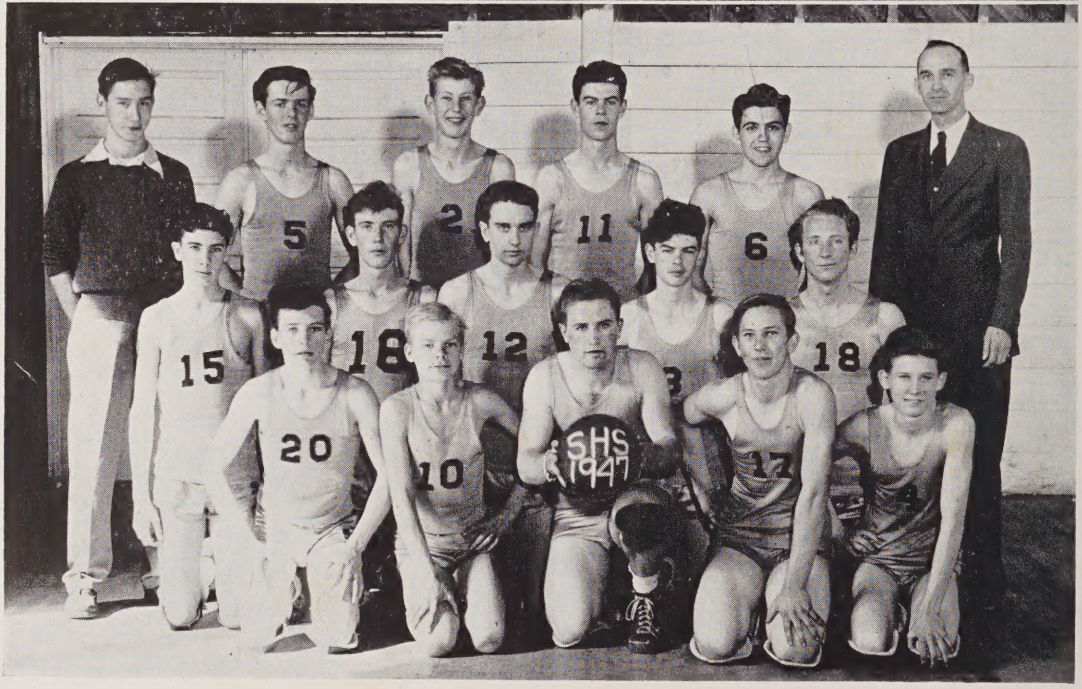

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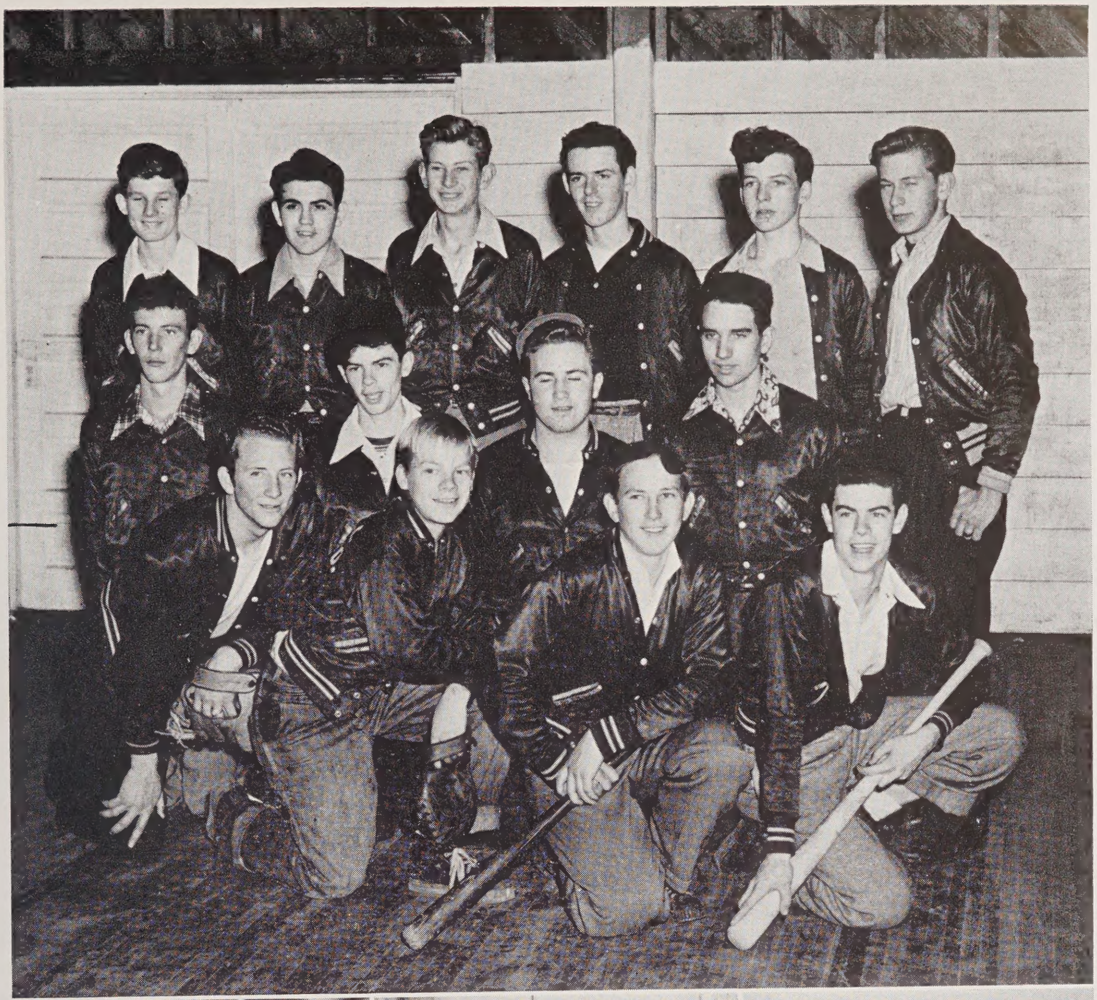

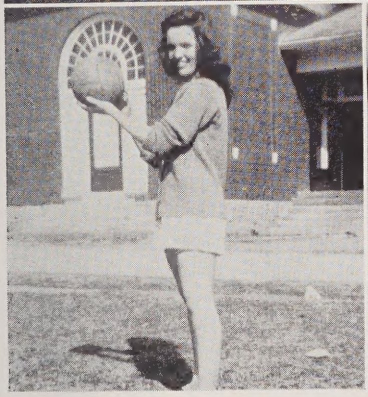

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Bulow Bowman — Betty Wolfe

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